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## REPLY AND AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is a Reply and Amendment in the above-identified patent application.

- [ **X** ] Reply and Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113, 1.116 (12 pages).
- [X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims As		Previously		Extra Claims		•		Additional
,	Amended		Paid For		Present		Rate		Claims Fee
Total Claims:	32	-	34	=	0	Х	\$50.00	=	\$0.00
Independent Claims:	4	-	4	=	0	x	\$200.00	=	\$0.00
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The Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. [X]§ 1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, the Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

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Respectfully submitted,

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